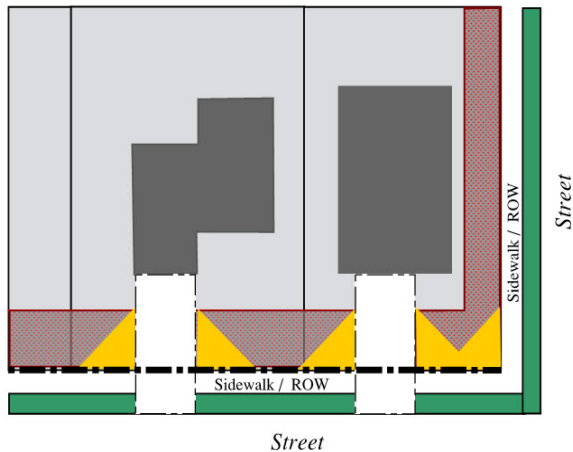






FRONT AND EXTERIOR YARD - FENCE HEIGHT LIMITATIONS



-  2 ft maximum fence height - Vision Clearance Area
-  4 ft maximum fence height - Within required front and exterior yard setbacks
-  7 ft fence height - allowed outside of required front and exterior yard setbacks; fencing height greater than 7 ft requires a building permit.
-  Front property line

VISION CLEARANCE AREA

Areas near driveways, street intersections, and motor vehicle access points where a clear field of vision is necessary for traffic safety.

Contact the Development Services Civil Engineer or Engineering Technician for help in determining the vision clearance area for your property.

DETERMINE PROPERTY ZONING

Check with Development Services to determine your property zoning. Planned Developments may have additional restrictions or conditions regarding fence height and/or location.

MORE INFORMATION

This brochure summarizes LDC fence standards, but does not cover all potential scenarios. Prior to constructing your fence please contact Development Services to discuss your proposal and ensure your plan complies with all applicable regulations, as not all of the city's regulations are included in this brochure.



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RESIDENTIAL FENCE STANDARDS



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**Within the City of Corvallis,
all fences are subject to the
standards of the Land
Development Code (LDC)
Section 4.2.50.**

- Standards generally limit the height of fences constructed within front and exterior yards abutting a street to a maximum of 4 feet.
- In addition, fences within required vision clearance areas (near street and/or driveway intersections) are limited to a maximum height of 2 feet.
- Fences located outside of required front and exterior yard setbacks and vision clearance areas are generally allowed, and may be up to 7 feet in height with no building permit required.
- Required front and exterior yard setbacks vary by zone. Contact Development Services to determine your property's zone, and corresponding minimum setbacks.

Other Considerations

- Height limitations for fences within front and exterior yards also apply to hedges, walls (including retaining walls), and berms.
- Fences up to 7 feet in height do not require a building permit, but are still subject to LDC standards (height, setbacks, etc.), vision clearance standard, etc.
- Fence materials are generally not regulated. However, there are certain locations (Historic Districts, Planned Developments, etc.) where fence material restrictions may apply. Please contact Development Services for more information.
- Fences are generally not allowed within mapped Natural Features or Natural Hazards areas (wetlands, riparian zone, floodplain, etc.). Please contact Development Services for more information.

- There are some height and placement standards for fences abutting multi-use paths. Please contact Development Services for more information.
- There are some limited exceptions to exterior yard fence height limitations. Please contact Development Services for more information.
- When a building permit is required due to the height of a fence exceeding 7 feet, the fence must be designed by an Oregon-licensed engineer.
- Fences may be constructed up to property lines, but shall not encroach onto neighboring properties or into the public right-of-way. If you are unsure of property line locations, please contact a licensed land surveyor.

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